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SUBJECT: US-JAPAN MEDICAL COOPERATION COMMITTEE, CHAIRMEN'S
MEETING

1. SCIENCE OFFICER SPOKE WITH TANAKA (MOFA) ON JANUARY 13
CONCERNING POINTS JAPANESE SIDE EXPECTS TO RAISE AT CHAIRMEN'S
MEETING IN HONOLULU ON JANUARY 29-30. MOFA PLANNING FOR
ABOUT 80 TOTAL PARTICIPANTS AT SEPTEMBER PLENARY MEETING:
15 US DELEGATES, 20 JAPANESE DELEGATES, 20 MHW STAFF, AND
APPROXIMATELY 25 MOFA, MOE AND U.S. EMBASSY STAFF. MOFA
PROPOSING TO MOVE DATE OF TOKYO PLENARY SESSION FROM 23/24
SEPTEMBER (AS DISCUSSED AT BETHESDA MEETING LAST NOVEMBER)
TO 24/25 SEPTEMBER. SEPTEMBER 23 IS JAPANESE NATIONAL
HOLIDAY AND AIR CONDITIONING WILL BE TURNED OFF IN CONFERENCE
ROOM. MOFA SUPPORT STAFF MIGHT ALSO BE DIFFICULT TO COME BY.
EMBASSY HAS SUGGESTED SEPT 23 AS FREE DAY FOR DELEGATES. THIS
DAY ALSO WILL BE FREE FOR CO-CHAIRMEN TO MEET IF NECESSARY.

2. WORKING GROUP SESSION PRIOR TO PLENARY SESSION ALSO
PLANNED FOR SEPTEMBER 20-22 (VICE SEPTEMBER 21-23 DATES DIS-
CUSSED LAST NOVEMBER IN BETHESDA).

3. JAPANESE SIDE WILL TAKE CARE OF PRINTING FOR CONFERENCE.

4. JAPANESE SIDE PLANS RECEPTION EVENING OF SEPTEMBER 24.
SINCE CONFERENCE SCHEDULED TO LAST ONLY HALF DAY SEPTEMBER
25 (SATURDAY), EMBASSY SUGGESTS LUNCHEON RECEPTION THAT DAY
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BE CONSIDERED BY US SIDE. DETAILS ON LOCATION AND FUNDING

OF US RECEPTION WILL NEED TO BE DISCUSSED BETWEEN SCICOUNS
AND US TEAM ONCE GENERAL SCHEDULE CONFIRMED IN HONOLULU
MEETING.

5. DR. KUROKAWA (JAPANESE CO-CHAIRMAN) EXPECTED TO LEAVE
TOKYO FOR HONOLULU JAN. 27 OR 28.
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